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Fiscal Note

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Court Costs		
<b>Subject:</b> Creates an Additional Court Cost for Juvenile Cases		<b>Analyst:</b> Steven Kraemer

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Provides for an increase in fees for the marshal of the City Court of Minden and the marshal of the City Court of Springhill

**Purpose of Bill:** This measure creates an additional court cost of up to \$30 for all juvenile delinquency matters in the City Court of Minden and the City Court of Springhill. These funds are to be used by the marshals of each court to defray operational expenses of their office or for the purchase of law enforcement equipment.

This measure also states that state district courts can only implement a fee increase if the Judicial Council agrees that a fee increase is necessary and reasonable. In addition, the Judicial Council must publish a notice of a favorable review and approval in the Louisiana Register for the fee to become effective. The fee would become effective October 1, 2009. According to an official with the Louisiana Supreme Court, an application has been submitted by Webster Parish Ward 2 Marshall’s Office for this proposed fee.

EXPENDITURES	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There may be an increase in local fund expenditures as a result of this proposed measure.

This proposed measure provides that the fees collected shall be used to defray operational expenses of the marshal’s office of each court or for the purchase of law enforcement equipment. Therefore, this bill may increase expenditures as funds are spent in accordance with the bill.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There may be an increase in local fund revenues as a result of this proposed measure.

Minden City Court

Officials with Minden City Court stated there are approximately 114 juvenile criminal cases per year. This proposed court cost of \$30, when applied to 114 cases, may increase the amount remitted to the marshal’s office by approximately \$3,400 per year.

According to an official with the Minden City Court Marshal, the marshal serves approximately 450 subpoenas annually for juvenile matters (includes other cases that may not apply to this measure). This proposed court cost of \$30, when applied to 450 subpoenas per year, may increase revenue received from the city court by approximately \$13,500 per year.

The increase in local fund revenues to the Minden City Court Marshal’s office are estimated to range between \$3,400 to \$13,500 annually.

Springhill City Court

Based on information from an official with the Springhill City Court, there are approximately 211 juvenile criminal cases per year. This proposed court cost of \$30, when applied to the 211 cases, may increase the amount remitted to the marshal’s office by approximately \$6,300 per year.

According to an official with the Springhill City Court Marshal, there are approximately 240 to 300 juvenile criminal cases per year. This proposed court cost of \$30, when applied to 240 to 300 cases per year, may increase revenue for the marshal’s office by approximately \$7,200 to \$9,000 per year.

The increase in local fund revenues to the Springhill City Court Marshal’s office are estimated to range between \$6,300 to \$9,000 annually.

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